

MILPERSMAN 1210-170

COMMAND AT SEA INSIGNIA: QUALIFICATIONS

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References	NAVPERS 15665I, U. S. Navy Uniform Regulations
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1. **Policy**. Command at Sea Insignia was established to recognize the responsibility placed on officers who are in command of, or have successfully commanded ships, aviation squadrons, and other fleet units. Additionally, the Command at Sea Insignia has been extended to recognize the responsibility placed on Navy Astronauts who have been selected and successfully served as space shuttle/space station mission commanders.

2. **Eligibility**. Active duty commanders in the grade of captain, and junior, are authorized to wear the Command at Sea Insignia immediately upon assumption of command of an "authorized" unit, and upon successful completion of a normal tour (6 months minimum) may continue to wear the insignia in the manner prescribed in NAVPERS 15665I. Navy Astronauts who have been selected as mission commanders are authorized to wear the Command at Sea Insignia immediately upon crew assignment and mission training, and upon successful completion of the mission may continue to wear the insignia in the manner prescribed in NAVPERS 15665I. Letters of authorization are not required.

3. Commands Authorized

a.	All commissioned (or in commission-special) surface ships, excluding <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Floating dry-docks
b.	All commissioned submarines; Officers in Charge of NR-1, ASDSs, DSVs, and DSRVs; FBM Test Support Unit; FBM Navigation Test Unit
c.	All Aviation Squadrons and Wing Commanders, excluding <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Training Wings• Navy Flight Demonstration Squadron
d.	All Unit Commanders <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ship and submarine squadrons/divisions/groups• Boat and craft units• SUBDEVRON FIVE/SERVGRU ONE/SUBDEVRON TWELVE• SUBGRUSEVEN/MSC TEN• MPSRONS MSCFASTSLRON ONE/NTPF/ACE/BMU• Beach Master Units
e.	EOD Groups/Mobile Units/SPECWARGRUs/CCWGRUs/SEAL Teams
f.	SEAL Delivery Vehicle Teams/Harbor Clearance Units/ SPECBOATRONS
g.	SPECBOATUNITS
h.	TACGRUs/TACRONs/FLTGRUs/NAVBCH/PHIBREFTRAGRUs/ SUBREFITRAGRUs
i.	Space Shuttle/Space Station Mission Commanders

4. **Inactive Duty Command.** Commanding officers (COs) and former COs of the following commands are authorized to wear the Command at Sea Insignia:

a.	VF-201/VFA-203/VFA-204/VAQ-209/VAW-77/VAW-78/VFC-12/VFC-13/VP-62/64/65/66/69/91/92/94/VQ-11	
b.	VR-46/48/51/52/53/54/55/56/57/58/59/61/62	
c.	HS-75/HSL-84/94/HC-85/HM-14/15/HCS-4/5	
d.	Former Commands:	
	(1)	Group II NRT/NRF Ships
	(2)	Reserve Destroyer Divisions
	(3)	VS-71/72/73/81/82/83
	(4)	VAW-88/207/307
	(5)	VSF-76/86
	(6)	VA-203/204/205/209/210/303/304/305
	(7)	VAQ-208/308/309
	(8)	VAK-208/308
	(9)	VFP-206/306
	(10)	VR-53/54
	(11)	VC-12/13
	(12)	VP-60/67/68/90/93
	(13)	VFA-303/305
	(14)	VF-202/301/302
	(15)	VR-60
	(16)	HSL-74
	(17)	HC-9
	(18)	HM-18/19
	(19)	HS-74/84/85
	(20)	HAL-4/5

5. **Not Eligible**

a. Officers temporarily succeeding to command without Navy Personnel Command (NAVPERSCOM) orders directing relief, during the temporary absence of the CO.

b. Officer removed from command for cause.

c. Officers assigned in a billet designated "Officer in Charge," or previously assigned in a billet which was redesignated "Commanding Officer" subsequent to detachment.

d. Inactive duty reservists assigned as "Prospective Commanding Officer" of Naval Reserve Training Ship/Naval Reserve Force Reserve Crews.

6. **Eligibility Questions**. Questions concerning eligibility can be submitted via an officer's chain of command to

a. Chief of Naval Operations (N13) for **active** duty, and

b. NAVPERSCOM, Personnel Administrative Division (PERS-91), if **inactive**.

The CO shall review the member's service record and include a recommendation in the forwarding endorsement.